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Clause (*c*) *of the question.*—Yes. The Forest department had been fire-tracing the reserve lines at its own cost prior to the introduction of the Forest Village System.

Clause (*d*) *of the question.*—Subject to satisfactory protection from fire and offences the panchayats are granted a refund of grazing fees collected from them up to a maximum of 75 per cent. The refund is the source of income.

Appendix V.

[Vide answer to question No. 598 asked by Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 12th October 1928, page 503 supra.]

Copy of letter from the President, District Board, Kurnool, dated 6th September 1928, *R.C. No.* 492/21.

I have the honour to state that the District Health Officer, Kurnool, submitted on 14th July 1928 the sketch showing the alignment of the proposed pipe line from Bhargavakoneru to the Ahobilam temple premises. A width of 66 feet throughout the length of the proposed line with the exceptions of some portions in patta lands is required for the laying in of the pipes and as this area lies entirely in the Forest, the Collector has been requested in this office, R.C. No. 492/21, dated 29th August 1928, to grant a permanent licence in the name of the temple diety. As for the portions required in the patta lands S. Nos. 280 and 282, the District Board Engineer has been asked to report on 'th July 1928 whether the acquisition of the portions in these patta lands cannot be had by private negotiations. The District Board Engineer has not submitted his report yet. I am reminding him again. The estimates are ready. Sanction for the estimates will be obtained after the question of acquisition of the patta lands is settled. The work will be put in on hand as soon as the patta lands are acquired and the licence referred to above is granted by the Collector.

Appendix VI.

[Vide answer to question No. 601 asked by Mr. C. N. Muthuranga Mudaliyar at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 12th October 1928, page 504 supra.]

G.O. Mis. No. 1027, Revenue, dated 10th May 1928.

Read—the following paper:—

From the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue and Settlement, No. B-2688/27-3, dated 5th December 1927.

Order—Mis. No. 1027, *Revenue, dated the* 10*th May* 1928.

In its reference read above, the Board of Revenue has recommended that 350 acres of land in and near Lammasingi village, Gudem Agency, Vizagapatam district, which have been applied for by the hon. Rao Bahadur C. V. S. Narasimha Raju Avargal and Diwan Bahadur M. Ramachandra Rao Avargal for the cultivation of plantation products and fruit trees should be leased to them for a period of 30 years. The Board has stated that as the

proposal constitutes a new venture it should be started under a lease. The Government do not understand why there should be any departure from the ordinary procedure of assignment simply for the reason that the proposed grant is the first of its kind in the Agency tracts. They consider that the appropriate form of grant in such cases is a conditional order of assignment. They accordingly sanction the assignment of the lands, which have been applied for, jointly in the names of the two applicants subject to the ordinary conditions of a ryotwari grant and the special conditions mentioned below.

2. The assignment will be subject to the following special conditions :—

(1) The land shall be used for the cultivation of coffee, cardamoms, pepper, rubber and fruit trees only and for the erection of the buildings necessary for effecting and supervising such cultivation and making the produce fit for the market.

(2) The assignees shall have the boundaries of the land cleared and demarcated at their cost with cairns before they are put in possession of the land.

(3) The assignees shall be permitted to use the water from the streams running in the land for the irrigation of the land and the generation of any power required in connexion with the cultivation of the land or the preparation of its produce for market; but they should get the specific approval of the Agent to the Governor, Vizagapatam, to the site and the design of any dam which they may put up.

(4) The assignees shall pay from the sixth year from the date of assignment on 125 acres of the land assigned (irrespective of the actual area brought under cultivation) assignment at Rs. 2 per acre and from the tenth year from the date of assignment on the remaining 225 acres assessment at the same rate. The rates of assessment so charged will be liable to revision at re-settlement.

(5) No charge shall be levied on account of the trees existing on the land. The assignees shall be at liberty to cut and remove the trees from the assigned land. If the forest growth in any area is cleared, it should be replanted with the plantation products or the trees specified in clause (1) within a period of two years.

(6) The existing roads, streams and pathways and a margin one chain wide on each bank of the more important streams shall be excluded from the grant. (The roads, pathways, streams and margins to be specified.)

* (7) In the event of the violation of any of the conditions of the grant, the Collector shall give notice in writing to the assignees specifying the exact nature of the violation and intimating that the land will be resumed if the violation continues after a period specified in the notice. If, at the expiry of this period, the violation still continues, the Government shall be at liberty to resume and re-enter on any portion of the land in the name of the whole, and the whole land shall thereupon vest absolutely in the Government. In this case, the grantee shall not be entitled to any compensation whatsoever.

(By order of the Governor in Council)

J. F. HALL,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue and Settlement.

* As amended. The original clause did not provide for notice being given before resumption for failure to comply with conditions.